

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	OHARA et al.	)	Examiner:	Anand U. Desai
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Application No.:	10/594,707	)	Group Art Unit:	1656
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Filed:	January 19, 2007	)	Confirmation No.:	9479
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Docket No.:	3190-100	)	Customer No.:	33432

For: GENE ENCODING A GUANINE NUCLEOTIDE EXCHANGE  
FACTOR AND THE GENE PRODUCT THEREOF

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 30, 2008

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated October 15, 2008, for which the Examiner has set a three-month period for response, thus making the response due on or before January 15, 2009.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.